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For: MATERIAL MACHINING BELTS, ESPECIALLY GRINDING AND/OR POLISHING  
BELTS, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF MATERIAL MACHINING BELTS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

1. Copy of International Search Report for International Application No. PCT/EP00/06451, mailed April 4, 2001.
2. JP 08 126962 A (KYOSAN ELECTRIC MFG. CO. LTD.). This reference is cited in the International Search Report for International Application No PCT/EP00/06451, mailed April 4, 2001, as a document of particular relevance.

3. DE 8904270 U (ROLEI MASCHINENBAU WOLFGANG MÜLLER) This reference is cited in the International Search Report for PCT/EP00/06451, mailed April 4,2001, as a document of particular relevance.

4. JP 58 211864 A (TOYOHICO YASUNAGA) This reference is cited in the International Search Report International Search Report for PCT/EP00/06451, mailed April 4,2001, as a document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance.

5. DE 1577 607 (C. F. SCHRÖDER SCHMIRGELWERKE KG) This reference was cited during prosecution of German application DE 199 31 290.7 filed July 7, 1999. A translation of this reference is not readily available to date.

6. DE 9417 419.9 (JÖST, PETER) This reference was cited during prosecution of German application DE 199 31 290.7 filed July 7, 1999. A translation of this reference is not readily available to date.

7. W0 97/38825 (MINNESOTA MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY) This reference was cited during prosecution of German application DE 199 31 290.7 filed July 7, 1999.

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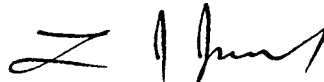
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